

FISCAL NOTE

SB 275 - HB 448

March 27, 1997

SUMMARY OF BILL: Provides that an applicant for certification as a certified nursing technician shall not be required to complete a training program, if the applicant has performed nursing services for three or more years within the last 10 years.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - \$332,300

Current law requires all applicants for certification to complete a 75-hour training course before being tested. The current requirement is based upon federal law and is a requirement for federal funding of the Medicaid Nursing Assistant Training Program. This program is currently funded at a level of \$643,200, of which \$332,300 is federal funds and would have to be replaced with a state appropriation, since this program is mandated by T.C.A. 68-11-209(e). Passage of this bill could prevent the Department of Health from receiving such federal funds.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "James A. Davenport". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of the first and last names being capitalized and prominent.

James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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